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Get in Line For Thanksgiving.

Come to my store for your Thanksgiving things. What I sell you will be found so appetizing that you'll thank me for this invitation. Celery, Cranberries, Corn, Peas and things for Mince Meat, Figs and seedless raisins. Mince Meat ready made if wanted. My Evaporated California Fruits are not only good to eat, but they are good to look at. They will stand close inspection. It costs nothing to come and see.

On Next Thursday, November 29,

I will have in stock the following good things to eat:— Kennedy's English Fruit Cake. Kennedy's Celebrated Mixed Cakes. McKinney Daisy Home-Made Bread Fresh Oysters, (in bulk.) Blue Ribbon Celery, (well bleached.) Pine Apple Cheese. French Peas, (in cans.) Bananas, Oranges, Lemons, Figs, Dates, Raisins, Package Mince Meat, Finest Candy in town and other good things too numerous to mention.

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KEYTESVILLE, MO.

P. S.—I almost forgot to say that half of the sickness is caused by not eating pure food. I buy from houses that have the reputation of selling only pure food.

The Press-Spectator and Republican Bouquets.

Not content with its indirect slap at Sheriff-elect F. M. Veatch and its encouragement of bolters in Salisbury township in its issue of Nov. 9, the Salisbury Press-Spectator makes mention last week that "its popular Republican friend, A. L. Friesz, ran ahead of his ticket in almost every precinct in Chariton county for prosecuting attorney."

It is perfectly right and proper for a Republican paper to puff a nominee of its own party who made a good showing at the polls by leading his ticket, but it is in exceedingly bad taste for a paper, posing as a sheet of opposite political faith, to usurp that prerogative.

If the Press-Spectator has made up its mind to break into the ranks of Republican journalism it should make a public announcement to that effect.

Why hasn't the P.-S. dealt out a dose of taffy to the following Democrats on the county ticket who got a larger majority than either Bryan or Dockery:

J. N. Gipson for representative, F. M. Veatch for sheriff, E. W. Herring for treasurer, A. F. Arrington for county surveyor and O. P. Ray for public administrator?

Perhaps the P.-S. threw all of its bouquets at its Republican friends and didn't have any left for the county Democratic officials-elect who received larger majorities than the head of their ticket.

Notice.

DEAR FRIEND:—I sold out the Bank of Keytesville only for the purpose of closing up and settling all my business affairs myself. Now, please, will you pay off your note, and if not convenient to do so make a bankable note so I can get the money on it? By so doing you will confer a great favor on your old friend.

Very Truly, WM. E. HILL.

We see by the Salisbury Democrat that James Bracken, an expert horse-trainer living with Robt. Patterson north of Salisbury, happened to a painful accident Tuesday. A pile of wood fell on him and broke his leg just above the knee.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Regular November, 1900, Term.

The regular November, 1900, term of the Chariton circuit court met at Keytesville Monday, Nov. 19, at 8 o'clock a. m., with the following officers present:

Hon. John P. Butler, judge; J. A. Collet, prosecuting attorney; J. R. Dempsey, sheriff; Wm. Ballinger, reporter, and Z. T. Lamkin, clerk.

Court was opened by public proclamation by Sheriff J. R. Dempsey.

Sheriff J. R. Dempsey and L. A. Embree, deputy, sworn to summons jurors and execute other process returnable to this term of court.

The following gentlemen compose the regular panel of petit jurors, R. A. Patch, Joseph Wilson, John Fox and B. F. Heaton not being present:

PETIT JURORS.

Wm. Bitter, John F. Noll, N. E. Elliott, John Wright, Jos. Welch, J. A. Klepper, Jas. A. Parks, E. S. Pearson, J. B. Schulte, Jasper Minich, John W. Bills, Wm. H. Ownby, Robt. Donaldson, John T. Mayhugh, G. G. Gallatin, J. T. Gaines, J. W. Hardgrove, J. W. Sanders, Wm. Brandt, Sr., M. H. Washburn.

The following grand jurors were empaneled Tuesday morning, sworn and charged and retired to the grand jury room to transact such business as may come before that body for their consideration, C. B. Kavanaugh having first been appointed by the court as foreman:

GRAND JURORS.

David Longsdorff, Finis Twyman, Wm. B. Duff, Chas. Aholt, C. B. Kavanaugh, B. L. Elliott, Geo. Walter, S. P. Dillon, Jesse Kiley, W. M. Wescott, W. G. Agee, J. P. Burris.

Disposition of cases had been made as follows up to yesterday at noon:

CRIMINAL CASES.

State of Missouri vs. J. S. Vandeventer, robbery; defendant withdraws plea of not guilty heretofore entered, enters plea of guilty, and his punishment is assessed by the court at imprisonment in the penitentiary for a term of 15 years. Dr. Vandeventer will be remembered by the COURIER's readers as the chief instigator in the robbery of John Rodgers of near Lagonda of \$2,950 the night of the 19th of last June. It was rumored that Vandeventer would try the ruse of insanity in order to escape punishment, but if he had ever intended to do so he changed his mind. Vandeventer's accomplices in the robbery of Rodgers were Joseph and Arthur McSparren, who pleaded guilty at the last September term of circuit court at Salisbury, and were sentenced to the penitentiary for five years, each. When sentence was passed by Judge Butler on Vandeventer Tuesday morning, the prisoner seemed not to be in the least perturbed. Vandeventer is 55 years old, is a widower and has two children—a son and daughter—both of whom are grown.

Same vs. B. F. Littler, No. 1, felonious assault; nolle prosequi.

Same vs. B. F. Littler, No. 2, felonious assault; plea of not guilty heretofore made withdrawn, plea of guilty entered, and defendant sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. The court paroled Littler during good behavior. The two above cases against B. F. Littler are the outgrowth of his troubles with N. B. Welch of near Pee Dee. His parole bond in the sum of \$500 was approved with B. F. Welch and Thos. J. Littler as securities. Littler assaulted Welch with a club and shot him at another time. He has been a tough citizen and may well congratulate himself that he has gotten off as well as he did. He is young, and there is ample time yet for his reformation if he will begin now. It is to be hoped that he will take advantage of the opportunity to conduct himself more civilly hereafter.

Same vs. Wm. Graham, grand larceny; defendant waives formal arraignment, pleads guilty, and his punishment is assessed at two years in the penitentiary. Graham is the young man who robbed Fred Witherspoon, a Moberly lad, of \$48 while on board a Wabash freight train near Dalton the 19th of last July.

Same vs. Dorsey Beeler, contempt of court; defendant pleads guilty and is fined \$10. Stay of execution granted on payment of costs. Beeler is the party who attempted to bribe one or two of the jurors who tried the case of Chapman Bros. against F. E. Herring at the last May term of circuit court.

Same against Joshua Minor, under parol; defendant discharged from parol.

Same against Dan Fuller, charged with attempted bribery; grand jury returns a true bill. Dan Fuller is the party who attempted to bribe Fred Witherspoon, the boy who was robbed of \$48 by Will Graham, not to appear against Graham.

Same vs. B. F. Littler, libel—appeal; appeal dismissed by agreement at defendant's cost. This is the case in which Littler was charged with libeling Mrs. N. B. Welch by writing her a vile letter under date of Jan. 9, 1900, for which offense he was tried by a jury in Justice G. W. Cunningham's court at Brunswick, on change of venue from Justice Wm. P. Jared's court at Keytesville, found guilty and sentenced to the county jail for six months and fined \$100. Littler appealed to the circuit court with the result given above.

Same vs. Henry Boone, col., charged with felonious assault; the grand jury returns a true bill. Boone is the colored youth who stabbed Horace Redding, col., at a dance in Keytesville a week ago Tuesday night.

Same vs. Wm. Graham. It appearing to the court that \$21 of the money alleged to have been stolen by the defendant was found upon his person and is now in the custody of L. A. Embree, constable, it is ordered by the court that the said Embree pay the same over to Fred Witherspoon, the prosecuting witness herein, and take his receipt therefor.

Same vs. Henry Freeman, No. 15, selling liquor illegally; defendant pleads guilty and is fined \$40.

Same vs. same, No. 16; defendant pleads guilty and is fined \$50.

Same vs. same, Nos. 17-29, same; continued by agreement. Freeman is a dispenser of liquid refreshments at Dalton.

Same vs. Sam Wren, grand larceny—horse-stealing; motion to forfeit recognizance filed and motion, with cause, continued at defendant's cost. Wren is the young man who is charged with stealing a horse belonging to Chas. Whittall from a hitch-rack in Mendon the 29th of August, 1899. The trial was continued on account of the defendant's alleged illness.

Same vs. Burk (Tobe) Burrus, forgery; defendant waives formal arraignment, pleads guilty and is sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Burrus is the life insurance agent who forged the name of Peter Gladbach, Jr., of Salt Creek township to a promissory note for \$65.30 the 29th of last July.

Same vs. J. R. McClure, grand larceny—horse-stealing; defendant waives formal arraignment, pleads guilty and, being over 16 and under 18 years of age, his punishment is fixed at two years in the penitentiary, which is commuted by Judge Butler to 12 months in the Reform School for Boys at Boonville. McClure is the youth who stole a horse from O. G. Mathews of near Rothville the 30th of last July.

CIVIL CASES.

J. A. Merchant vs. Jasper N. Gaines, ejectment; evidence heard 'by the court and cause continued under advisement.

A. S. Hershey et al vs. Barbara Clark et al, partition; dismissed.

J. T. Edling vs. J. W. Nichols et al, debt; dismissed for want of prosecution.

James T. Warden vs. D. R. Lee, debt—appeal; costs paid in full by plaintiff, and cause dismissed by clerk of this court in vacation.

M. J. Severance vs. A. E. Severance, injunction; dismissed as per stipulation filed. Injunction dissolved, right of action on bond waived, and costs taxed accordingly.

E. M. Williams, assignee Bank of Salisbury, vs. T. H. Walton, suit on note; no trial, a settlement having been agreed on by the plaintiff and defendants. The defendant, T. H. Walton, deposits with the clerk of this court a quit-claim deed from said Walton and his wife to said Williams, assignee as aforesaid, for the whf of 18-22-15 in Pawnee county, Kas., and also an abstract of title to said tract of land, which deed and abstract of title are to be held by said clerk subject to orders of this court, and also subject to the written agreement between said parties under which said deed and abstract are so deposited.

Same vs. same, same; same.

W. W. Riddell vs. Thos. A. Sportsman et al, debt—appeal; appeal dismissed.

Blanche Robinson, col., vs. the Wabash Railway Co., damages, transferred to circuit court of the United States for the western district of Missouri at Kansas City on application of defendant. This is the case in which Mrs. Robinson brought suit against the Wabash railway for \$5,000 for killing her husband, Harry P. Robinson, at Brunswick the night of the 16th of June, 1900. It is said that at the time Robinson was struck by a Wabash train and killed he was under the influence of liquor.

B. F. Fleetwood vs. Nelson Bowman et al, suit to set aside deed leave to file an amended petition making Eli Harris a party defendant, and summons for said Harris and alias for Vitula Bowman to sheriff of Jackson county, Mo., and cause continued.

Sidnie Reppenhagen vs. Charles Reppenhagen, divorce; non-suit.

Ella May Morris vs. Samuel T. Morris, divorce; plaintiff divorced upon payment of costs, and restored to her maiden name, Ella May Ashley.

E. M. Williams, assignee Bank of Salisbury, motion for leave to compromise certain suits; motion taken up, heard and sustained, and it is ordered by the court that assignee have leave to sell, at public or private sale, notes, accounts and other evidences of debt, and cause continued.

J. A. Collet, prosecuting attorney, files the appointment of L. N. Dempsey as deputy prosecuting attorney, and the oath of office as such is administered to said Dempsey in open court.

The 21st day of November, 1900, comes Frances M. Veatch who, at the general election held the 6th day of November, 1900, was duly elected sheriff of Chariton county, files his bond as such with himself as principal and Thos. J. Veatch, Alonzo L. Welch, O. B. Anderson, M. A. Prather, M. F. Courtney and L. L. Wheeler as sureties, in the penal sum of \$20,000, payable to the state of Missouri and conditioned as required by law, which said bond is approved and ordered to be filed with the clerk of this court.

Alice Arnold vs. E. H. Brooks et al, attachment; attachment sustained. Motion for costs sustained, and bond ordered to be given within 60 days. Marriage of plaintiff suggested, and order to prosecute in her present name, Alice Dandridge, and cause continued at plaintiff's cost.

Lois Kennedy vs. Samuel Fleetwood, ejectment; continued on the application and at the cost of plaintiff because of the absence of L. C. Stephenson, for whom an attachment is awarded, returnable the third day of the next regular term of this court.

B. D. Beauchamp vs. C. Boehm, suit to set aside deed; trial by

court, and finding and judgment for plaintiff according to the prayer of his petition.

Jos. Barnhart vs. E. B. Kellogg et al, debt—appeal; dismissed as per stipulation filed.

M. J. Severance vs. T. J. Thompson, same; same.

As the COURIER goes to press court has adjourned for dinner. Further proceedings next week.

Probate Pointers.

Bruno Albrecht, administrator of the estate of Peter J. Clever, presents final settlement, showing estate to be exhausted, which is approved, and administrator discharged.

J. B. Dameron, guardian and curator for Ethel McDaniel, presents final settlement, showing balance of \$193.70, which is ordered paid to ward, who has become of age.

George Hechler, guardian and curator for Ben Kessler, presents final settlement, showing estate to be exhausted, which is approved, and guardian and curator discharged.

Amanda McCampbell presents proof of publication of her intention to resign as administratrix of the estate of A. W. McCampbell, deceased, which resignation is accepted by the court.

T. H. Carskadon, administrator of the estate of Mary A. Cooley, deceased, presents final settlement, showing estate to be exhausted, which is approved, and administrator discharged.

R. M. Minks, guardian and curator for Isaac W. Wescott, presents final settlement, showing balance of \$359.97, which is approved, amount ordered paid to ward and guardian and curator discharged.

W. T. Dameron, administrator of the estate of Elias Barnes, deceased, files report of private sale of e hf se qr 8-55-16, to Elias Holman for \$1,050, which is approved and deed ordered made to purchaser.

L. H. Herring, guardian and curator for Bessie Murnagh, presents final settlement, showing balance of \$1,362.05, which is ordered paid to ward, who is of age, which is approved and guardian and curator discharged.

L. H. Herring, guardian and curator for heirs of C. J. Turner, deceased, presents first and final settlement, showing a balance of \$918.88, which is ordered paid to his successor as soon as one qualifies, said Herring having decided to resign as such guardian and curator.

Y. C. Blakey, executor of the estate of Joseph Allin, deceased, presents final settlement, which is approved, and said executor is ordered to transfer and assign to the residuary legatees in said Allin's will all of the insolvent notes and accounts referred to in said final settlement.

On motion of the widow of Valentine Specht, deceased, it is ordered that Joseph Specht be appointed administrator of the estate of said deceased. Letters granted said Joseph Specht as such administrator, and his bond, in the sum of \$400, is approved with Julia Smutz and J. I. Crossland as securities.

Jno. P. Becker, administrator of the estate of Charles Meinhart, deceased, files report of private sale of nw qr sw qr 15-56-17 to Catherine Meinhart for \$500, which is approved and deed ordered made to purchaser. Said Becker's final settlement, showing said estate to be exhausted, is approved and administrator discharged.

J. B. Dameron, guardian and curator for the minor heirs of Margaretha Biegle, deceased, presents a petition for the sale of a 7-10 undivided interest in the whf nw qr 3-56-17, said sale being found necessary for the support and education of said minor

children, whereupon order of private sale of said real estate, for cash in hand, is granted to said guardian and curator.

L. H. Herring, administrator of the estate of C. J. Turner, deceased, files petition showing insufficient assets to pay debts owing by said estate, and is granted an order to sell certain lands, at public or private sale, subject to the dower and homestead interests of the surviving widow and minor heirs of said C. J. Turner. M. A. Knappenberger, John Heisel and H. E. Elliott are appointed by the court as commissioners to set out said homestead and dower.

John A. McCluhan, administrator of the estate of Thomas McCluhan, deceased, presents final settlement, showing balance of \$902.73, which is ordered distributed as follows: John A. McCluhan, \$102.13; Warren S. McCluhan, \$102.13; Mary E. McCluhan, \$102.13; James McCluhan, \$102.13; Wm. P. McCluhan, \$102.13; Verna McCluhan, \$51.06; Elva McCluhan, \$51.06; Mrs. Frank Pherson, \$102.13; Henrietta Brown, \$102.13; Janie Mackey, \$102.17, which exhausts estate, and administrator is discharged.

Death of W. L. Ganson. W. L. Ganson, who was for several years an efficient and popular conductor on the Wabash railway, and who married Miss Emma Stevens, a most estimable lady of Keytesville in 1878, died from the effects of a second stroke of paralysis at Chicago the fore part of this week.

Mr. Ganson had gone to Chicago to visit his brother and had about perfected arrangements to invest some money in the dry goods business with his Chicago kinsman, but his plans were foiled by a second stroke of paralysis which resulted fatally.

His wife was wired to at Kansas City, their home, and reached her husband's bedside four days before his death. Everything that a loving wife could do or medical skill suggest was done to alleviate his sufferings, but to no avail.

The almost heart-broken wife and Steve, their only son, who was born in Keytesville, and who is now in his 22nd year, mourn the death of a kind, devoted husband and indulgent father. They have the sincerest sympathies of their Keytesville friends in their sad bereavement.

Mr. Ganson's remains were conveyed to Montgomery City Wednesday and laid to rest in the Montgomery City cemetery by the side of his lamented father-in-law, Thos. Stevens, a former citizen of Keytesville, who was beloved by every man, woman and child in our town.

No man was ever truer to a friend than W. L. Ganson, as the editor of this paper has ample reason to know from a long acquaintance with him. In his death we are keenly conscious of a personal loss of one who had been our friend in time of need, and a friend in need is a friend indeed.

We mingle our tears with the sorrows of those who knew him as we knew him, and especially do we condole with Mrs. Ganson and Steve in the dark hour of their affliction.

A Bad Political Liver. By copying the following article from the Moberly Headlight, a Republican newspaper, the Salisbury Democrat pats Renegade Riley Hall on the back and strikes ex-Congressman R. N. Bodine and Congressman W. W. Rucker squarely in the face, without any just cause or provocation, which leads us to believe that the Democrat's political liver is badly out of order.

"U. S. Hall spoke for the Democrats at the court-house last Monday night. He is without a doubt the ablest Democrat in the Second district. The Democrats turned him down for Bodine and Rucker, but he is getting 'into line' again, and we should not be surprised to see him 'bob up' for the congressional nomination in the next 'round up'."